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Gentlemen:

This letter is in response to your July 1, 1991, letter concerning submission of a schedule for the Operable Unit No. 2, Woman Creek Basin Interim Measure/Interim Remedial Action Plan (IM/IRAP). In your letter you gave us a July 8, 1991, deadline in which to submit an acceptable schedule. We have enclosed our proposed schedule.

When we separated this IM/IRAP from the original IM/IRAP, we were going to tie the preparation of the Woman Creek Basin IM/IRAP to bench scale testing. Because of lack of water with sufficient radionuclide activity, we decided in the May 22, 1991, meeting to proceed with preparation of the IM/IRAP without bench scale testing and initiation of document preparation began. As we proposed in our February 15, 1991, letter (1141-DOE-91), based upon bench scale testing, we were looking at a Spring of 1993 start-up date. Our current proposal is not too different from your February 25, 1991, response letter which called for a Draft IM/IRAP submission on October 1, 1991, and release of the Final IM/IRAP Decision Document and Responsiveness Summary to the public no later than May 1, 1992.

As noted in our June 13, 1991, letter (4664-DOE-91), we were unable to submit a complete schedule by June 12, 1991, date because the schedules being proposed by EG&G have been unacceptable to Department of Energy. Since our June 13 letter describing our delay, we have developed a schedule for document preparation through release to public and start of field construction activities. EG&G has been attempting to streamline their procurement, design, and construction time frames. In anticipation of your July 1, 1991, letter, we have requested EG&G to attempt to further reduce procurement, design & review, and construction time frames. They have made considerable progress at the staff level on significantly reducing these time frames but still need additional time to finalize coordination with appropriate DOE and EG&G support organizations. Therefore, at this time we have only the document portion of the schedule. We expect to have the remainder of the schedule by the end of July.

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Our proposed schedule has approval of the IM/IRAP March 19, 1992, with release to the public March 27, 1992. It should be noted that minimal public comment may allow acceleration of this schedule.

If you have any questions, please contact Scott Grace of my staff at 966-7199.

Sincerely,



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